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# REPORT C.N.A. CONVENTION

As the delegate of St. Michael's Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae it was my privilege this year to attend the 27th Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses' Association.

The Meeting was held at the Banff Springs Hotel in the heart of the Rockies. Those of you who have visited Banff will agree that no more perfect spot could have been chosen. There is the scenic beauty of the mountains.

The work of the convention was carried out most efficiently. The convention, however, was not all work. The Arrangements Committee allowed plenty of time for sight-seeing.

The hosts of the Convention, The Alberta Association of Registered Nurses, showed us all that the West is truly a friendly place. The motif of the Convention was Western, from the ten gallon hats, that everyone wore, to the menu for the dinner, which included such things as "Wild West on the Hoof" with "Grease Creek Gravel" and "Wild Cat Derrick" and propane. Many Albertans wore cowgirl costumes—all of this led to a colourful friendly atmosphere throughout the Hotel and the Town.

Eleven hundred nurses certainly made their mark on Banff, which in the off season is a quiet little town completely surrounded with mountains. Since Banff is situated in a National Park you often see moose on the streets and always black bear at the garbage dump. Driving along the roads you also see elk, deer, mountain sheep and the famous Rocky Mountain Goats, which live far up on the mountains and are native to the Rockies. Beaver abound in the rivers. The most inspiring thing to see are the mountains, which seem endless—the lakes and the rivers amongst them are very beautiful—the blue water, the white snow and the green trees all add to what is known as "Nature's Paradise".

The work of our National Convention includes all of the problems of the ten Provinces, as well as those of Canada as a whole. The Theme for the 27th Biennial Convention was "Pathways to the Future". In her opening address the President, Miss Helen Macarthur explained the theme as one necessary to build for the needs of all; stressing the total aspect which is so necessary in every phase of nursing. So the C.N.A. hoped to repair the ruts and build new pathways to the future which will fill the needs of the whole Canadian Nursing Profession. In the following days much work was done in accomplishing this.

The Convention began by the members listening to a speech prepared by Hon. Paul Martin, Health Minister of Canada, who was unable to attend in person, announcing Canada's readiness to plan a mass vaccination program if the new polio vaccine

is proved a success. A change in the terms of the hospital construction grants was also announced. This will provide Federal assistance towards the construction of additional facilities in Schools of Nursing, on the basis of \$1,000 for every 300 sq. ft. of approved floor area, for classrooms, labs, demonstration rooms, etc.

Newfoundland was welcomed to Association Membership. Miss Macarthur presented Newfoundland's President, Miss Elizabeth Summers, with a scroll and a gavel board.

Monday afternoon the Committee on Constitution and By-laws, convened by Miss Rae Chitick, presented the Structure Study. Much work has been carried out during the biennium in regard to the Structure Study of the C.N.A. Each of the policies and by-laws were studied and changed as necessary, for the betterment of the Association. The Study was not voted on until Friday. So well had everything been prepared that there was only one major alteration and a few minor changes made. Now Quebec has an English and a French member on the Association. They will share one vote.

The budget of the C.N.A. was presented by the Finance Committee Chairman, Miss Gladys Sharpe. A record \$150,000 budget was approved. Every figure pointed to the growth of the Association.

Because of the rapid growth of the C.N.A. new quarters were needed for the national office. It was decided to move the national headquarters to Ottawa. There the C.N.A. will be able to work more closely with the Federal Government for the betterment of Canadian Nurses and Nursing.

During the week there were many interesting presentations and panel discussions.

The Institutional Public Health and Private Nursing Committees worked together in a dramatic presentation called, "Let's all Work Together". This showed clearly how the team work principle can be used to give adequate nursing care to a family.

A panel discussion of the nurse and social security showed how every nurse is concerned about her future security. It is hoped that through our National Association some satisfactory plan can be arranged.

A symposium of "Pathways to the Future in Psychiatric Nursing" was presented. There was much discussion of the existing nursing shortage in mental hospitals.

A panel on "Way Communications" left one aware of the responsibility of every nurse in Canada of good public relations. How can the public be well informed regarding nurses and nursing if the nurses

themselves are not interested? How can nursing problems be solved unless the nurses themselves work together? We must all be more interested and active in our nursing associations; the C.N.A.; The R.N.A.O. and our own Alumnae. In this way we will be able to work together to solve the existing nursing problems.

Malcolm G. Taylor, assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Toronto, discussed, in a most interesting way, the crisis resulting from hospital care plans. Many persons now choose hospital care over available alternate treatments because it is prepaid. Hospitals are carrying a burden greater than they should. Dr. Taylor believes that scientific management of nursing will pay dividends to the nurse and the patient.

Among the resolutions prepared by the Resolutions Committee were the following:

Publication of an orientation manual which has been prepared under the chairmanship of Miss Mary MacFarland of Toronto General Hospital. This manual should fill a need that is felt in all phases of nursing.

A committee to be set up to report on health insurance.

Inquiries to be made re national pension plan for nurses.

A special committee on occupational health to be formed.

A report to be made of existing health services.

On Friday evening to close the convention, The

Mary Agnes Snively address was given by Professor F. M. Salter, Dept. of English, University of Alberta, Edmonton. Following this the new executive was sworn in:

Miss Gladys Sharpe, Toronto Western Hospital as President. We are proud to note that one of our Alumnae members is elected for a second term, Sr. M. de Sales, representing the Nursing Sisterhoods of Ontario on the C.N.O. Executive.

A stirring tribute was paid to Miss Helen Macarthur, retiring President by Miss Dorothy Percy on behalf of the whole assembly. For four years Miss Macarthur worked for the C.N.A., making her finest contribution in the area of Public relations. An announcement was made of her invitation to go to Korea under the auspices of the League of the Red Cross Societies, to assist the Korea Red Cross—a position which she now holds.

The 28th biennial convention will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba in June, 1956. Saskatchewan and Manitoba will be co-hosts.

In between sessions and on the two free afternoons we were able to visit the highlights of Banff, enjoy the luxury of the hotel and meet our friends. Sr. Helen and Sr. Mary Lois of St. Joseph's Community in Pembroke were there from Barhead, Alta. They are both alumnae members. Other members enjoying Banff were Mrs. Enright, Edith Stenfield, Edna Johnston Housler, Marie McGarry, Pat Hor-

rison, Margaret Simpson-Ray, Margaret Romano, Kay Firth Watt, Margaret Driscoll, 2nd year student went as representative of Our School of Nursing.

Kay Firth Watt, whose home is in Banff, entertained the S.M.H. nurses one evening. Kay has two little girls, but still finds time to be interested in nursing. She is president of a chapter of the Alberta Association, which she was active in forming in Banff.

After the convention I had the opportunity to visit the West Coast and the Prairies, both of which I enjoyed very much.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the Alumnae for making it possible for me to go to the C.N.A. Convention, as their delegate. It was an interesting, educational and most enjoyable trip.

"Patricia O'Connor".

## THE NEWS

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## REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

October 12th, 1954

The October meeting of the Alumnae was held in the Nurses Residence, Miss P. O'Connor presiding.

A delicious turkey supper was enjoyed by the members before the formal meeting began. Miss O'Mara was extended the congratulations of the Alumnae on the occasion of her Golden Anniversary in the field of nursing.

The minutes of the June meeting were read. It was moved by Miss Fitzgibbon and seconded by Miss Smythe that they be adopted.

In the absence of Miss Richardson, the treasurer's report was read by Miss O'Connor.

Correspondence was read by Miss Williams.

Miss Egan as the registry representative reported that the refresher course of lectures would again be held this year.

As chairman of the visiting committee, Miss Ray gave a report of the visits made by her group.

The president gave a summary of the entertainment of the delegates of the I.C.C.N. who visited

Toronto. One of the highlights was their trip to Niagara Falls.

There were several things mentioned in the new business. Five low Masses are to be said for a deceased member. There is to be a notification placed in the News that the Alumnae fees are due. This is to replace the former means of notification. The sending of Christmas boxes is to be looked after by the visiting committee.

It was announced that the annual retreat will be given by Fr. McMann at Our Lady of the Cenacle October 29-31.

The annual Requiem Mass for deceased members will be said by Fr. Dore in the residence chapel on Monday November 8th.

The winter Alumnae meeting will be held Decem-

ber 14 in the auditorium. The Christmas play will be given by the preliminary students.

Miss P. Kennedy then gave an interesting report of her attendance at the I.C.C.N. in Quebec.

This was followed by an equally enjoyable account of the Biennial C.N.A. in Banff given by Miss O'Connor.

A draw was made of the sales slips from purchases at Alton and Lewis during the past few months and Miss O'Connor was the lucky winner of a suit donated by the company.

The door prize was won by Mrs. Doherty.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Thelma M. Hornberger

Recording secretary.

# THE FIFTH WORLD CONGRESS

**International Catholic Committee of Nurses and Medico-Social Workers**

**Quebec City — September 7 - 12, 1954**

Having arrived in the charming old city of Quebec on Sunday, the time before the Congress began was spent seeing many of the historical sites, which are at every turn of the winding, narrow streets. It gives one a peculiar sensation to stand on the heights of the Plains of Abraham, looking out over the St. Lawrence and down to Wolfe's Cove, and imagine the red-coated figures of Wolfe's men scaling the steep cliffs. Also the Wax Museum is a must for any tourist. The guides who are Laval students give names and dates of the various happenings and figures, depicted in a startling life-like manner.

At 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the Fifth International Congress was officially opened at the Palais Montcalm, with His Excellency Msgr. Giovanni Panico, Apostolic delegate, as Chairman. Miss Italade Camillis (Italy), International President, outlined the aims and purposes of the Congress.

Msgr. Fougerat, International Chaplain, repeated the Holy Father's request that Catholic Nurses join their National and International Organizations, for mutual advancement and encouragement in the performance of their nursing duties. He emphasized the increasing perplexity of moral problems today, and the necessity of each one to have complete knowledge of both nursing skills and our Code of Ethics.

Mrs. Alma Benoit-Lapointe, our National President, welcomed the delegates from the twenty-four countries represented.

Dr. Pierre Jobin, Professor of the Faculty of Medicine of Laval University spoke to us of the tremendous changes in our way of living, and concept of life in this past century. The nationalization of Health Services in some countries, and the improvements

in both preventative and curative medicine have all contributed to this advancement. The purpose of our profession is service to the individual. Charity is our apostolants as Nurses, and to uphold God's rights in the performance of our duties. In conclusion Dr. Jobin quoted Cardinal Spellman, "Fight communism with Communion".

Miss Callow, General Secretary, gave a history of the International Organization, which was begun in France in 1908. The first Congress took place at Lourdes in 1933 with 600 members representing ten nations; the second in Rome in 1935 with 2000 representatives from twenty nations; the third in London in 1937 with 800 from twenty-one countries, and the fourth again in Rome in 1950 when 3000 attended from twenty-two nations.

Miss Callow stated that in spite of the many changes apparent in the past twenty years in our profession, we are still directly at the service of the individual, and our responsibilities to each other and our neighbours as Catholic professional women is unchanged. Every country feels the shortage of nurses, and attempts are being made to improve recruitment for the vast field which is ever increasing, at the same time raising our standard.

In his address the Papal Delegate referred to the hospital as a school of Divine Charity, where the mercy of Christ is continued. He reminded us of the oft-seen repentance of the sick, and how their souls could be reached by a Nurse, when often they could not be by the Clergy.

On Wednesday morning Mass was celebrated for us at the Basilica, where Monsignor Fouergat addressed us in French and Father Hudon, Canadian

Chaplain, spoke in English. The following mornings our Masses were at the Exterior Chapel of the Quebec Seminary and the Chapel of Our Lady of the Cenacle.

At 10 a.m. we split up to attend the three Committees which were as follows: (1) Hospital and Public Health Nurses (2) Directors of Nursing and (3) Medico-Social Workers. These committees were again divided into French and English speaking sections. I attended Committee (1) for Hospital and P.H. Nursing (in English of course).

Miss Aylward of Ireland gave the paper on Wednesday—on Domiciliary Nursing as conducted by the Jubilee nurses in her country, which I found was much the same as our Visiting Nurses organizations. The nurse takes her General Nursing Council exams, and then six months specialized training for this work given by the organization itself. This is no glamour position, but the need and the gratitude is real.

That afternoon we paid a visit to the beautiful shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre, and what a tribute to Faith it is. Seeing the messages of gratitude, and discarded braces and crutches is a moving sight.

At the Chateau Frontenac at 8 p.m., was held the official reception of the delegates at a dinner presided over by His Excellency Msgr. Maurice Roy, Archbishop of Quebec, and the Hon. M. Duplessis, Prime Minister of the Province.

The study Committees met again at 10 a.m. on Thursday at Laval. The paper given by Rev. Sr. Marie Rose Lacroix, S.G.M. of Canada was entitled "Psychopedagogic Study". Sister outlined the trends in Psychological study for the student nurses, and slight difference in the ratio of study and hospital practise between Collegiate and Hospital schools of nursing. Sister made it obvious that to understand the operation of the human mind and personality, a knowledge of mental hygiene, Sociology and Psychology is essential. Refresher courses, and faculty education were strongly advocated along these lines. The changing role of the nurse in the medical team was discussed and argued quite heatedly. It was also advised that useless hours spent on intricate anatomy and complicated chemistry could be better used in teaching psychology to enable the student to understand human adjustment. Sister ended with the statement that a well integrated education produces a cultured woman with moral and psychological insight. We were asked to work and pray for a world organization of ALL Catholic Nurses.

On Thursday afternoon we had a break in the form of a refreshing drive around the Isle of Orleans. Here we visited several beautiful churches dating from the 17th century, and were intrigued by the numerous wayside shrines.

At 8 p.m. we gathered for the general session at the Palais Montcalm, Msgr. Victorin Germaine, P.D. told us that the Catholic Hospital Association was formed in Milwaukee in 1915, and in Canada in 1921. Last year at the Catholic Hospital convention, 52 hospitals were represented from Ontario and 154

from Quebec. At the present time there are 10,000 Sisters engaged in hospital work. We were again implored to belong to our national organization.

The Deputy Minister of Health gave a tribute to the sisters of the Nursing Communities, and to the nursing profession.

Miss Therese D'Aoust Bsc., emphasized our great moral responsibility to interpret the supernatural meaning of suffering. She mentioned the invisible influence which a nurse can have on her fellow nurses, her patients and even the visitors to her hospital, and the vast influence of the Public Health, and visiting nurses on the community. She invited us to join our "Aves" around the world.

Rev. Fr. Fortier, Chaplain of the Catholic Nurses Guild of Malaya, told us of some of the activities and difficulties of that organization which was inaugurated in Singapore in 1947, and has 250 members.

On Friday at 10 a.m. because of our large membership, we had our Committee meeting at Laval's Faculty of Commerce, a beautiful new addition to the University, built on the outskirts of the city.

A study of Moral Ethics was given by Maria de Cruz of Singapore, Malaya. A positive approach to Ethics is as necessary as a refusal to aid in unethical procedures, even though heroism is sometimes required to adhere to our Code of Ethics. The three books on Medical Moral Problems by Father Kelly of St. Louis were praised, as containing the answer to every moral problem, that can be encountered today. A Code of Ethics was drawn up for our use.

Friday afternoon as we had no necessary commitments, we toured the City of Quebec. Our jovial driver, who had all the local history at his fingertips, executed the maze of traffic with admirable

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**Watch in the Daily Press  
for the dates of:**

**The Alumnae Theatre Night  
in February**

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**THE ALUMNAE DANCE  
will be held at The Embassy  
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**KAY O'BRIEN  
Convener**

dexterity. We admired much and laughed much and had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

That evening at the usual hour of 8 p.m., at the Palais Montcalm, Sr. Mary Olivia, the Dean of the School of Nursing of the Catholic University of America, delivered an address on the "Essential Formation of the Nurse", and "Actual Tendencies".

ing is the same in every country, but degrees vary according to the development of the country and the nursing profession.

Rev. Mother Delgel of the Medical Mission Sisters and Evolution of Nursing". The practice of nurses, told the history of nursing services in India, which was brought to Goa by the Portuguese in 1534. There is considerable difficulty in procuring trainees as only 5% of Indian women are educated, and the laws of Purdah and Caste also contribute to this difficulty. However, Delhi now has a nursing college and there is one nurse for every 50,000 people. There are 50 Catholic hospitals, 45 of them being less than 100 beds, and five Catholic training schools, which also train the nurses as midwives. Twenty years ago the Catholic Hospital Association was formed and a yearly Congress is held.

On Saturday morning the executives had their final meetings which left us with a free morning, which I for one wasted in sleep.

In the afternoon an informal reception was held for the delegates at Lake Beauport. Although it was raining, this beautiful resort nestling in the valley, with the Laurentians rising on two sides, provided a charming picture.

At the usual time on Saturday the closing session was held under the presidency of His Eminence Cardinal Paul Emile Leger, Archbishop of Montreal. Our national president, Mrs. Lapointe, was announced as Chairman of the International Associa-

tion, also that the next Congress would be held in 1958 in Argentina. Miss Aylward of Ireland thanked the Canadian Association for their year and a half of arduous preparation culminating in this successful meeting.

The Hon. Paul Martin, the Minister of National Health and Welfare, addressed us concerning the essential value of the Religious Nurse on our modern scene, as we cannot do successful work unless we are endowed with spiritual values, particularly in the growing mental-health field. At the present time 50% of our hospital beds are devoted to this field. The process of dehumanization obvious in some countries is contrary to good principles, and the nurse is a strong bulwark against this. Regarding the shortage of nurses, Mr. Martin said that 20 to 30% of girls graduating from high schools are now entering nursing schools. No more than this can be expected unless we are to rob other fields of endeavour. Therefore more effective use must be made of the professional nurse. In times ahead the non-professional nurse, or nursing assistant will be an essential addition to the nursing team.

In the increasing specialization of our day, we must not allow humanity to be lost in our work. The tragedy of our times is, although the world has become a neighbourhood with our modern means of travel, we have not yet learned to live as neighbours.

The wishes and Recommendations of the Congress were then given by Mrs. Lapointe.

His Eminence Cardinal Leger told us that we had come together to fulfill the will of the Church. The Holy Father has asked us to unite, because as Catholics we have a special obligation to fulfill every profession with the conviction that we are working for the Kingdom of God—not only to save our souls but to help our neighbour to save his. Because of the unity of our organization, we speak at home and abroad in the name of our profession and faith.

Conclusions were given by Msgr. Fougerat, International Chaplain, who emphasized and re-emphasized the need for unity if we are to accomplish our hopes.

On Sunday, we brought the Congress to a fitting close with a pilgrimage to the National Marian Shrine of Notre Dame du Cap. A special Mass was celebrated for us at 10 a.m. and the sermon was given by the Bishop of Three Rivers. The atmosphere of the whole shrine permeates one's soul and our faith becomes a very intimate feeling. The joy of sharing this with nurses from so many different countries swells the heart in gratitude.

As my knowledge of French is very basic, I'm afraid I missed a few of the side issues, and all of the jokes of the Congress, but the main themes were unmistakable.

In closing this report, I would like to express my grateful thanks to the Alumnae, who sponsored me as their delegate. My only wish is that all of you could have shared this experience with me in fact.

Patricia Kennedy, Class 1946

### DAY OF RECOLLECTION

at the Cenacle—

Lawrence Ave.

JANUARY 16, 1955

For ALL NURSES interested  
Mass at 9 a.m.

Exercises will finish  
at 4:30 p.m.



## OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Virginia Long on the death of her mother.

Mrs. Agnes Hinch Lister on the death of her husband.

Birchmans Fannon Thompson '31 on the death of her mother.

Helen Heffernon Pennal '34 and Rosella Heffernon Tuerenni '40 on the death of their mother.

Ada Demaer '40 and Leona Demaer '40 on the death of their sister.

Sister St. Nilus on the death of her father.

Ann McLeister Tinsley '32 on the death of her mother.

Margaret Haggert '35 on the death of her mother.

Marguerite Manly Hayes '20 on the death of her aunt.

Madeline Gibbons '29 on the death of her father.

To the family of Laura Rainboth who was buried in Ottawa in October.

To the family of Louise Harkin, who died Aug. 7th, 1954. She was a member of the first graduating class, 1889.

Evelyn Bennett on the death of her uncle.

Mrs. Gladys Christie Hall on the death of her father.

Mrs. Margaret Bilbrough Rider '31 on the death of her mother.

Mrs. Mary McLauchlan Grierson '31 on the death of her mother.

Sr. Mary Eileen (Mary McKenna '31) on the death of her mother, who died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton on November 9th, 1954, and whose funeral was from the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton.

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### From the Canadian Register:-

#### MISS ELLA O'BOYLE, R.N. (Toronto)

"The death took place on Sept. 22 at St. Michael's Hospital of Miss Ella O'Boyle, R.N. Born in Brechin, Ont., she received her education at Orillia Collegiate. Having taught school a year she entered the

training school of St. Michael's Hospital. Since graduation she has dedicated her life to different branches of nursing including Resident Nurse at the Ontario Agricultural College, Monterith, Ont., assistant instructor of nurses and operating room supervisor at St. Michael's Hospital and later to private duty nursing, always having in mind the motto of her Alma Mater, "Whatsoever you do to these my brethren you do unto Me." The large attendance at the Mass and the guard of honor formed by graduate nurses paid tribute to a highly respected member of the nursing profession. High Mass was sung at Holy Rosary Church by Rev. T. A. MacDonald, C.S.B., on Saturday. Present in the sanctuary were Rev. W. J. Roach, C.S.B., Rev. F. J. Corrigan, Rev. M. J. Nealon, Rev. J. E. Martin, C.S.B. She is survived by two sisters, Sister M. Celestia, St. Joseph's Community, Toronto, and Philomena O'Boyle, Toronto, and a brother Eugene J. O'Boyle, Toronto. The pallbearers were her nephews Robert O'Boyle, John Beamish and William Fenn, cousins, John Boyle, Eugene O'Boyle and Gene Boyle. Burial was at Brechin, Ont. Rev. W. J. Roach, C.S.B., officiated at the grave, assisted by Rev. P. B. Sullivan. R.I.P."

Ella will be greatly missed around St. Michael's and her thoughtfulness and kindness to others will always be remembered by all of us.



### ILL IN HOSPITAL

The following have been patients in the hospital since the last issue of the "News". We wish them a speedy recovery back to health.

Patricia Bazinet Farrell '46.

Aileen Riordon '21.

Annabel Samson '29.

Eileen Spence '47.

Kathleen Robinson '24.

Mary Kane O'Connor '37.

Mrs. Martha Gendron Wyatt.

Mary Thompson

Jerry Hamilton

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Rita Hetherman Walsh '25, was operated on in May in Summit, N.J. and spent the summer at Kashe Lake.

Hilda Wintermeyer Shoniker '25, made a good recovery from her operations in May and June.

Kay Gies is now Hospital Supervisor for the Nursing Assistant Course at Queen E., Provincial Dept. of Health.

Sr. Bernadette (Bea Harrison) visited her parents recently, who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Dot Coade had a most enjoyable visit with Sr. Bernadette while she was in Toronto.

Congratulations to Sister Maura, Superintendent of St. Michael's Hospital and Sr. Honora, an assistant administrator of St. Michael's Hospital who were awarded certificates of membership and Sister M. Louise, Superintendent of St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto, who was awarded certificate of Fellowship by the Board of Regents at the Annual Convention of the American College of Hospital Administration, Chicago, Ill.

Marie Robbins Bowles '24, enjoyed a trip to St. Ann de Beaupre and Cap de la Madeleine.

Congratulations to Marie, whose son, Bernard received an honour degree in philosophy at St. Michael's College, University of Toronto.

Dolly Doyle visited Loretto O'Connor Hourigan in Moose Jaw, Sask. this summer.

Beryl Hayes visited the West in September. Beryl is on the staff of Our Lady of Mercy Hospital.

Kathleen Meader and Marjorie Larkin spent an enjoyable holiday in Muskoka this summer. Florence O'Reilly and Mae Brennan vacationed at Huntsville this summer.

Congratulations Mrs. Madeline Coffee Walsh, whose second son entered the seminary this Fall.

Irene Nealon, Nora Bredley and Mary Shaver are now attending Ottawa University, where Dr. Basil Layton, Assistant Director of Health, Directorate, National Health and Welfare and Dr. D. Magner, Chief Pathologist at Ottawa General Hospital, are two of the outstanding lecturers.

Kay Boyle was a visitor this summer in Toronto from California.

Mrs. Monica Wall Boyle and twins visited her sister in London, Ont.

Miss Lulu Marrin from Detroit spent two weeks at Brechin this summer.

Miss Ethel Crocker entertained for Miss Lulu Marrin during her visit in Toronto.

Mrs. Helena Greig left on Sept. 14 for a month's vacation to her home in Saskatchewan, then on to Texas.

Seen at Cap de la Madeleine during the pilgrimage were:—Julia Montgomery, Irene Nealon, Gertrude Egan and Mary Brown.

Mrs. Bess O'Connor Devaney spent the summer at Brechin.

Irene Corrigan enjoyed a holiday at Brechin.

Helen Walsh from New York spent a month in Toronto this summer.

Helen O'Sullivan vacationed in Picton and she and Elma Purtle enjoyed a week in Montreal and Quebec.

May Moir spent a delightful month in California, while there visited Mrs. Essie Taylor Smith, Mrs. Jean George Harrington and Mrs. Norine Boyce Jones.

Mrs. Marguerite Manley Hayes enjoyed a vacation in Muskoka.

Mary Jones '43 is on the staff of the Children's Hospital in Vancouver.

Margaret Conlin Sullivan '41 completed her course in Nursing Education at Seattle University and is now attending the University of Washington for her Master's Degree in Nursing.

Roselle Grogan O'Sullivan was a delegate from Pickering to Health Convention at the Royal York Hotel in November for 3 days.

Lenore Kane '50 is taking a postgraduate course at the Montreal Neurological Institute.

Carol Young Woznicki '50 is living in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Her address is 1111, 5th Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lindsay have been appointed manager and matron of the Grey County Home at Markdale. Mrs. Lindsay is Elma Knott, a 1932 graduate of St. Michael's.

On the feast of St. Michael the Preliminary students had their annual pic-nic to the House of Providence farm.



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**LENAHON-DEWITT** — In Blessed Sacrament Church, Sept. 19th, Josephine DeWitt to Adrian Lenahon.

**MCDONNELL-TUNNEY** — In St. Cecilia's Church, Sept. 19th, Teresa Tunney '53 to Francis Alexander McDonnell.

**DUGGAN-MYRTLE** — St. Rose of Lima, Windsor, Aug. 21st, Margaret Myrtle, '54 to Paul John Duggan.

**ROBERTSON-DAVIS** — St. Paul's on-the-Hill, Dunbarton, Sept. 25th, Marilyn Davis to Hunter Robertson.

**FORD-HILTZ** — Second Markham Baptist Church, Sept. 18th, Nancy Hiltz to Irving Alan Ford.

**GRIFFIN-STINSON** — Mary Catherine Stinson '53 to Dr. John Eldon Griffin, Our Lady of the Assumption, Oct. 9th.

**MCBRIDE - McLAUGHLIN** — St. Columkille Church, Uptergrove, Ont., Sept. 4th, Kathleen McLaughlin '51, to Joseph Michael McBride.

**BRUNER-RUGGIERO** — St. Teresa's Church, Port Colborne, Oct. 16th, Anne Ruggiero '52 to Robert Kenneth Bruner.

**MAIZGA-CARR**, St. Matthews Church, Aug. 19th, Mary Carr '53, to Joseph Maizga.

**DUFFY-HEENAN**, St. Francis Xavier Church, Tottenham, August 29th, Christina Heenan '52, to Michael Earl Duffy.

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Mr. and Mrs. Barton (Evelyn Speers) '52, St. Michael's Hospital, July 11th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Sullivan (Rita Dillon) '45, St. Michael's Hospital, July 20th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lang (Lena Costa) '46, St. Michael's Hospital, July 6th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Donoghue (Maureen Upper) '51, St. Michael's Hospital, July 17th, a daughter.

Dr. and Mrs. Harper (Josephat McSloy) '50, Montreal General Hospital, July 21st, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mazza (Marian Doherty) St. Michael's Hospital, July 21, a son.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Blastorah (Marian Weldon) '48, St. Michael's Hospital, July 23, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Delemere (Margaret Cassidy) '50, St. Michael's Hospital, August 1, a son, Patrick Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cooney (Dorothy Bergin) '45, St. Michael's Hospital, a son, September 14th.

Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Dunn (Joan Peppler) '46, St. Michael's Hospital, September 15th, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hayden (Rose McIver) '47, St. Michael's Hospital, September 14th, a son, Brian Michael.

Mr. and Mrs. R. DeCourcy (Jane McIntyre) '51, St. Michael's Hospital, September 14th, a son, Paul McIntyre.

Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Hedderick (Frances Currie) '41, St. Michael's Hospital, September 23rd, a daughter, Alison.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Haynes (Billie Marie Cook) '50, Cleveland, July 11th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kennedy (Dorothy Carroll) '46, Hotel Dieu, Windsor, October 13th, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Sauve (Patricia Tighe) '49, Brockville, September 7th, a son.

**LETTER FROM OUR MAIL BAG**

Letter received from Margaret O'Meara:—

"Toronto, Oct. 13th, 1954

Dear Madam President and Alumnae Friends:—

I don't think I need to tell you how pleased I was to be with you last evening and I want to thank you for the wonderful tribute paid me as your guest of honour at our Alumnae Dinner on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee Year of my Graduation from St. Michael's Hospital.

I appreciate the kind things you have said and the good wishes you have expressed and I want to thank the Alumnae for the beautiful corsage presented to me.

As a Charter Member of our Alumnae Association, I have enjoyed many of St. Michael's gatherings, but last evening was the happiest and proudest occasion of all. St. Michael's has been a second home to me for some of the most interesting years of my life, and has given me some of my most cherished friends.

Looking back over the fifty years since my graduation day, they have passed very quickly and have been happy and satisfying years and had I the choice to live them over again I would not wish them to be different. I have had many blessings to be thankful for and am most thankful to be well and among you all. Because the present time seems suitable, I would like to pay tribute to all who have helped to make my years of nursing such happy ones. First of all, to the memory of the good Sisters, who so patiently and painstakingly undertook the task of my training. Their fine example has ever been an inspiration to me. To our beloved Sisters of to-day, who have given us work and shorter hours and many comforts for us to enjoy. God has surely blessed them and the wonderful work they are doing and I hope they will long be spared to enjoy their home at St. Michael's. To my comrades in the nursing profession, who, by their fine qualities and good fellowship, have made life among them such a worthwhile adventure.

I thank you all."

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Mary Lou Stone, daughter of Emma Gignac Stone '25.

Mary Jane Waller, daughter of Mamie Moriarty Waller '32.

Carol Carty, daughter of Isobel Sinclair Carty '36.

Rita Balfe, Niece of Ann O'Meara '16 and Margaret O'Meara '04.

Joan Bodendistal, niece of Aurel Gaudet Boden-distal '27.

Mary Ann Fox, niece of Lil Moore, 1900.

Beverkey Cudmore, sister of Lucille '53.

Ann Ewing, sister of Catherine Ewing Bertholotte '52.

Kathleen Howell, sister of Ann Howell '55.

Patricia Maloney, sister of Bridget '54.

Elona Rup, sister of Kazia Rup Bladek '50.

To honor Our Blessed Mother in this Marian Year, the lining of the students capes has been changed from the traditional red to Our Lady's blue.

**WE ARE PROUD OF THEM**

Two 1954 graduates of St. Michael's, Lynett Taylor and Joan McRae displayed courage and skill in attempting to save the life of a young boy from drowning at Thunder Bay Beach. The girls discovered the boy's body in the Taylor boathouse. Lynett brought the body to the surface and she and Joan applied artificial respiration for two hours. Unfortunately their efforts and the use of an inhalator failed to revive the victim.

Mrs. Molly McMullen Edmond spotted a 21 months old baby floating face down in Lake Simcoe this summer and rescued the baby from the water and helped apply artificial respiration until a resuscitator arrived. Oxygen was applied and when the Dr. arrived from Barrie the boy was stirring. The doctor drove him to the hospital, where he was put in an oxygen tent. His life was saved by the alertness of Molly.

## ALUMNAE MEETING

December 14th



Nurses' Residence

8 p.m.



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